

Weather Conditions Handicap to Oklahoma City Team

Oklahoma City Eleven Is Ready for Marshall Game for State Championship

Record Crowd for High School Football Game at Saratoga Park for Big Game.

Okl. City, Position, Marshall.	
Garner	L. E. Williams
Cole	L. T. Williams
Smith	L. T. Williams
Lawrence	Center
Beattie	R. G. Conaghan
Gillespie	R. T. Miller
Tyler (C.)	R. E. Potter
Hardy	R. B. Kelly
White	R. H. Mathews
Graham	L. H. Wilson
Swatek	F. D. Hasbrook (C.)

On the outcome of the football game at Saratoga park this afternoon between the Oklahoma City and the Marshall high school football teams depends the state high school football championship of the 1917 season. The game was to start at 3 o'clock and from the advance sale of tickets the largest crowd that has ever witnessed a high school football game in the state will be within the gates of the park.

Paul Barnes, coach of the Oklahoma City eleven, said today that the members of the high school football squad are in fine condition for the game and that Garner, who was yesterday reported out of the game because of a chafed horse in his left leg, is back in the lineup.

Marshall Has Good Team. "With all my players in good condition I am not the least bit worried over the outcome of the game today," said Coach Barnes this morning. "I, of course, look for them to come out with the long end of the score."

"My boys have not tasted of defeat this season and they do not expect to let anything keep them from closing the year with a clean sheet. I know that the Marshall team is a good one, and in Reeves, the former Ames football star, they have one of the best coaches in the country."

"There is no feeling of overconfidence on the part of the Oklahoma City players, and I have effectively used the game between the Aggies and O. C. played

here Thanksgiving day as an example of what overconfidence will do. "The best team will win the game. I believe the Oklahoma City has the edge on their opponents."

The high school team worked late last night running through a snappy signal practice. The work continued until it was too dark to see even the white ball which was being used.

Visitors Arrive Today.

The Marshall team did not arrive yesterday, as was expected, but arrived this morning with several hundred of their supporters. They traveled in extra coaches attached to the regular train. Hope from Marshall on the work of the players of the high school there during the week has been rather indefinite. There is little doubt, though, that Coach Reeves has been driving his team to turn them up for the game with Oklahoma City. Reeves has been drilling his players with a view of breaking up Oklahoma City's aerial game, and if they succeed in this, they will probably win the game, as it is conceded by even the Oklahoma City players' most optimistic supporters that the line of the Marshall team is stronger than that of Oklahoma City's.

The game should be closely contested and decided by a close score. There is little probability of either team being able to blank the other.

M'GILL MAY SELL HIS INDIANAPOLIS BALL CLUB

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 6.—A syndicate of local men has taken an option on the Indianapolis club of the American association and has obtained a price from J. C. McGill, who with his uncle, William C. Smith of New York, owns 51 percent of the stock of the club, it became known here today.

The option and price were obtained by Jack Hendricks, manager of the club, who made a trip to Memphis, Tenn., to confer with Owner McGill. Manager Hendricks said the men who had sent him to Memphis did not wish their names made public at this time, and also denied the story that McGill had placed on his holdings.

Baseball Writer Dies.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 6.—William G. West, one of the best known baseball writers in the country, died of typhoid pneumonia today at his home in this city.

AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'?



MICHIGAN CLOSES PECULIAR SEASON

Football Situation Far From Bright at Start.

YOST WORKED WONDERS

Lose Only Two Men From the 1917 Squad.

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Dec. 7.—The University of Michigan football eleven has closed one of the most spectacular seasons ever recorded in the local annals. When the season began, the team—minus nearly every star of a year ago—looked utterly hopeless. Yost, far from discouraged, whipped his green material into a machine which ripped along and weak opposition to pieces. Finally, came the tragedy at Pennsylvania and then, the Wolverines, riddled by injuries and faculty penalties, closed their season by losing to Northwestern.

Despite Michigan's sky-rocketty season, there are few more hearts at the university. Two reasons are given. One is the fact that Michigan was "between the devil and the deep sea" this year. First, the authorities put the ban on football; then they took it off and then Michigan found herself back in the western conference, but too late to be officially considered a championship contender. Nobody got excited over Michigan's eleven until after the Nebraska game, and yet neither the contest with Cornell, nor the struggle with Pennsylvania, aroused the keen interest that such games have in the past.

Interest Revived in Game.

It is quite generally admitted on the campus that real interest in football this season came after the game with Northwestern had been played. "Wait until next year when we are really back in the conference," seems to be the slogan of every loyal Michigander. Michigan developed a squad of promising players and nearly every one of them has another year at college. If the war is over, other and greater stars may be back next fall. Followers of the Yost-Yost are too anxious to hear the "Yost-Yost" of Michigan's "Yost-Yost" of Wisconsin, and the "Go Chica-Go" of Stagg's warriors, to talk about what did and what didn't happen this year.

Only Four Men Back.

"This year Yost had but four 'M' men when he started to build his team. Two tackles, a guard and a quarterback. The latter, Spinks, was handicapped by a bad leg and played very little. When Yost finally did whip his eleven into a service form, injuries and academic deficiencies removed the leading ones from his machine and he had to build a new one almost overnight."

Goodell and Weske are the only 1917 regulars who will graduate, but Lem-bert, Michigan's center, played football at a West Virginia college before coming to Michigan and may be barred.

Yost will have a candidate for his line, Culver, Fortune, Lindstrom, Mor-rison, Heath, Cartwright, Goetz and Boyd. The veterans are expected to com-plete for backfield positions. Include Spinks, Weske and Wimmer. Weske was one of the sensations of the west this year. Flashing to recognition from the north-west, he played the back-field of Michigan's offense and is ex-pected to be the Wolverine's field gen-eral next year. Spinks is a good kicker and when in play, he is considered him a half back of the first water. It is hoped that a year's rest may give the Jackson boy the opportunity that was denied him this season. Wimmer played tackle and fullback this year. He started in each position.

Freshmen Look Good.

In addition to this eleven, Yost also has Colin, Henrich, Muller, Geb-ach, Brooks and Perrin for his back field. The latter was the class of the season, this year.

The STORTLIGHT by Grantland Rice

Have you heard your comrades calling From the country overseas? Where the best of them are falling That the worst of us be free? There are many empty places In the ranks that we must fill; There are silent pleading faces— Can't you hear them calling still?

There are countless thousands dying So that some of us can live, And it's no use you denying That it's not your place to give. For the call rings out you hear it And it echoes in our heart, Will you heed the call or fear it? Sonny! will you do your part?

When the coming years are numbered, Will your children, yet unborn, Learn you shirked the call or slum-bered?

Will you face their silent scorn? Or, with proud eyes lit with glory, Unashamed, with head unbent, As you tell life's biggest story, Will you say "Thank God, I went?"

In the dawn of freedom, breaking Through the war-night of the world, Noble hearts, with faith unshaking, Keep your battle flag unfurled. Will you help to keep it flying? Guard the old flag, White and Blue? Send your answer, sonny, crying, "I am coming over, too!"

—H. Varley.

The Call.

"Can you name a greater left- hander than Rube Waddell?" asks a reader. "Not to save the erratic life of us, figure as we will. The game may have known one, but we have yet to come across his winding trail."

With Pleasure.

Dear Sir: The War Camp Community fund is trying to interest the soldier on

Captain For O. U. '18 Team Is Not Named

NORMAN, Okla., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—No date has yet been set for the election of a captain to lead the 1918 football team of the University of Oklahoma. The election usually is held at the time the team meets to have a group picture taken for the Sooner, the student yearbook, but this year the election may be postponed until after the two post-season games have been played.

The Sooners are scheduled to meet the football team from Camp Don-phan, Fort Sill, at Oklahoma City, December 15, and the team from Camp Bowie, Fort Worth, at Fort Worth, December 21.

Ex-Sprint Champ Is Now in Army.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—Joe G. Loomis, former National champion in the spring events and high jump, today is a mem-ber of the 33rd Field Artillery at Camp Grant, Rockford. He reports for active duty as a private on next Monday.

Loomis recently returned from France where he served six months as the driver of an ambulance in the Verdun sector.

TUESDAY'S FIGHT WILL BE REAL ONE

Morrissey and Fanning Are Both in City.

STATE TITLE IS AT STAKE

Fans May See Them Work Out at Fire Station.

Alvin Fanning, Bartlesville lightweight, who meets Lee Morrissey of Idaho, in a ten-round fight at the City Auditorium next Tuesday night, together with his manager, Bert Conner, arrived here yesterday at noon. The two came from Joplin, Mo., where Fanning has won four fights since he met and easily defeated Henry Cherry, the traveling salesman lightweight here several weeks ago.

Fanning looks to be in fine condition for the coming fight, but he lost no time in getting to his daily workout after his arrival here yesterday afternoon. He went to the gymnasium at the central fire station where he went through a fast six-round sparring session with Jay Mays. He works out at the central fire station each afternoon from 3 o'clock until 6 o'clock and Lee Morrissey follows him in the gymnasium, working from 4 o'clock until 5 o'clock.

Known Over Nation.

The state lightweight championship is at stake in the bout between these two men, as Fanning is from Bartlesville, and Morrissey, though a non-resident of the state, started his boxing career in Oklahoma City.

The two lightweights are now known lovers of the boxing game throughout the nation, and are fast climbing to the top of the ladder.

Another reason why both of the men are anxious to win the decision next Tuesday is that the winner will be matched with Johnny Dundee at Denver. Morrissey is a great favorite in Den-ver because of his remarkable showing against Ad Wolgast, Frankie Murphy, Frankie Burns and Jimmy Hanlon.

Joplin Wanted Fight.

Fanning is equally as well liked by the fans of Joplin, Mo., who have watched him work against some of the best boys of the country in the past. Fanning and Joplin fans were anxious to have the bout between Morrissey and Fanning staged in that city, but as both men are Oklahomans, they decided to have the fight for the state championship in the capital city.

Since winning the decision in his fight with Henry Cherry here, Fanning has won fifteen-round fights from Ever Hammer, Jimmy Reagan and Eddie White, a twelve-round fight from Kid Wheelock and knocked out Johnny Cash-ill in three rounds.

Looks like a real fight for the Okla-homa City fans.

JOCKEY CLUB TO AID GOVERNMENT

Grows and Markets Potato Crop for National Army.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 7.—The man-agement of the New Louisville Jockey club, has decided to do an additional "bit" for Uncle Sam's new national army. It not only has grown and har-vested a crop of potatoes, but will market as well.

After the last year's spring ses-sion at Churchill Downs had been run a large force of men began plowing the immense infield, where thousands of thoroughbreds had grazed on the blue grass, and potatoes were planted.

The crop, according to President Charles F. Granger, of the jockey club, will total more than 300 sacks, each con-taining 125 pounds, or five-sixths of a barrel. It will be auctioned off here on December 7, the proceeds to go to the Camp Zachary Taylor Christmas Cheer club.

The Jockey club had received numer-ous inquiries from farmers for prices on the spuds to be used for seed, but it is the opinion of the directors that a larger sum will be realized from an auction sale than through the ordinary channels of trade.

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